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TO: All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

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SUBJECT: Cracker Barrel Issues Allergy Alert on Chocolate-Covered Peanuts and Almonds

From the information provided by FDA, the Cracker Barrel chocolate covered almonds and peanuts products are being recalled for mislabeling, and were distributed to all Cracker Barrel Old Country stores in 41 states including Indiana. Information is being provided in case of consumer inquires. In addition, if any recalled product is still found for sale, please notify Dan Gala at this office at 317-233-7360.

Allergy Alert; Mis-labeled Chocolate covered Almonds and Peanuts; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

CRACKER BARREL ISSUES ALLERGY ALERT ON MISLABELED CHOCOLATE-COVERED PEANUTS AND ALMONDS

LEBANON, Tenn.— (April 9, 2008) — Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc. is recalling 5-ounce bags of chocolate-covered almonds and 5-ounce bags of chocolate double-dipped peanuts because the packaging is labeled incorrectly. The product labeled as containing chocolate-covered almonds may contain chocolate double-dipped peanuts and the product labeled as containing chocolate double-dipped peanuts may contain chocolate covered almonds. People who have an allergy or a severe sensitivity to peanuts or almonds run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume these products.

Products were available at all Cracker Barrel Old Country Store® locations in 41 states. Products were packaged in a clear 5-ounce polybag with a red and white diamond pattern on the label.

No illnesses or allergic reactions have been reported to date. No other candies or packaged food items are a part of this recall, and there is no health risk for consumers who are not allergic to peanuts or almonds.

The recall was initiated after the issue was reported by Cracker Barrel store management upon receipt of the product. Subsequent investigation indicates the problem was caused by a temporary breakdown in the supplier's labeling and packaging processes. This labeling error was limited in scope and no other food products were involved.

Consumers who purchased these products are urged to return them to any Cracker Barrel location for a full refund. Consumers with questions about the recall should call Cracker Barrel at 800-333-9566.



About Cracker Barrel

Cracker Barrel Old Country Store® restaurants provide a friendly home-away-from-home in their old country stores and restaurants. Guests are cared for like family while relaxing and enjoying real home-style food and shopping that's surprisingly unique, genuinely fun and reminiscent of America's country heritage...all at a fair price. The restaurant serves up delicious, home-style country food such as meatloaf and homemade chicken n' dumplins as well as its signature biscuits using an old family recipe. The authentic old country retail store is fun to shop and offers unique gifts and self-indulgences.

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